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# Mingo Races.

The "Newmarket Riding and Driving Association" held their fourth Flat Race Meeting, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, (Sept. 20, 21, and 22), on the track at Mr. A. D. Bruce's (President) place. This Fall meeting caused keen interest among the people of the district, who flocked to the trysting place in hundreds. There was a perfect galaxy of beauty in the grand stand, amongst whom we noticed some of our Marlinton friends. The track was in firstclass going order, and the clerk of the weather joined hands with the clerk of the course in making the meeting a grand success. The following members acted as officers Messrs. H.. Beauclerk (Judge), J. Hebden (Clerk of Scales and Handicapper), A. D. Bruce (Start-er), J. H. G. Wilson (Field Marshal and Second Flagman), A Lawson (Secretary and Treasurer.

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On Thursday, there was a one mile race, for which there were four entries. Mr. Lanty Tuke's "Tom" gained a most popular victory, after a neck-and-neck struggle with Mr. Hales' "Harkaway," just "catching the Judge's eye" by a short head. The half-mile trotting race (under saddle) fell an easy prey to Mr. Ligon Marshall's dun gelding, "Troy." Some exciting Scrub Baces followed, the palm of victory being secured by Mr. F. Hatterman's grey gelding,

George. Friday's racing formed the piece le registance, being the half-mile day. This race was open to all. After seven heats had been run off the trial heat lay between Mr. J. H. G. Wilson's "Sparkle," and Mr. A. D. Bruce's "Harlequin;" the former famous mare winning by

the shortest of heads, after a desperate race, amid the loud cheers of the assembled multitude. Well done, Marlinton! The bonny mare deserves much credit for defeating nine such redoubtable horses,—all well worthy of her steel! May her good luck continue!

A few foot-races (in which one individual was noticed to run remarkably "cunning!) brought to a successful conclusion a good afternoon's sport.

On Saturday a half-mile "Con-solation Race" ruled the roast, and this event fell to the lot of Mr. A. D. Brace's sporting-looking sorrel horse "Harlequin," who ran well and gamely, doing the distance in 58 seconds. The "Tin-Cup Race" (the handsome prize being awarded by Mrs. A. D. Bruce), brought four horses to the starting-post, and a most exciting race ensued. Mr. Earnest Hebden secured his first winning mount on "Miss Muffet," she beat "Sister Mary" (with "The Boss" up) by a nose. This dauntless youngster has now won his spurs, and we hope to be able to record his victory between the flags in the future. The two mule races (fast and slow) were a source of much merriment to the crowd, some of these obstinate beasts of burden performing highly divert-ing pranks, such as "bolting the track," and other absurdities, which did not improve the condition of Mr. Bruce's corn and buck-wheat! Both races were awarded to Willy Lloyd, (the "People's Popular Commedian"), who steered "Des-demona" to victory in a most work-manlike manner! The sweetest thing of the whole racing was the smile on our Willy's welter-weight face, after his two superb master-pieces! A good "Novelty Race" resulted in a win for Mr. Gunther's "Rowdy," well ridden by Guy Marshall. Mr. Tuke's "Tom" won a 2-mile race (against two horses. A match for \$100 a side, between

Mr. Bruce's "Harlequin" (Fred Hainstock up), and Mr. Hale's "Harkaway" (A. Lawson up), fin-ished up the Fall Meeting, but a foul was claimed, and the match postponed to be run again.

We regret to say that Mr. B. B. Earnshaw sustained a bad shaking from a fall off "Harkaway," on Friday, but is gradually mending. Otherwise, the whole of the three days' meeting proceeded without a hitch, and thorough enjoyment seemed to be felt by all spectators.

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